

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER SERVICES IN ARIZONA

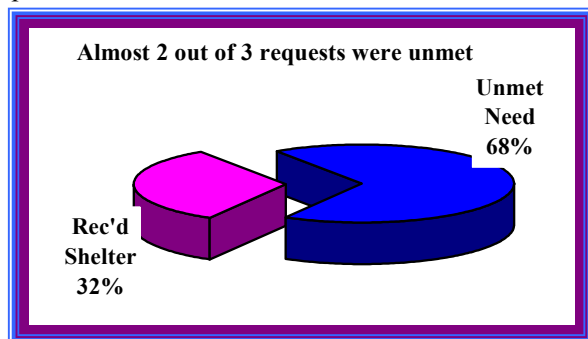
STATEWIDE SUMMARY

July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002

As reported by the 31 residential shelters and safe home networks accounting for 716 beds.

Requests for Shelter

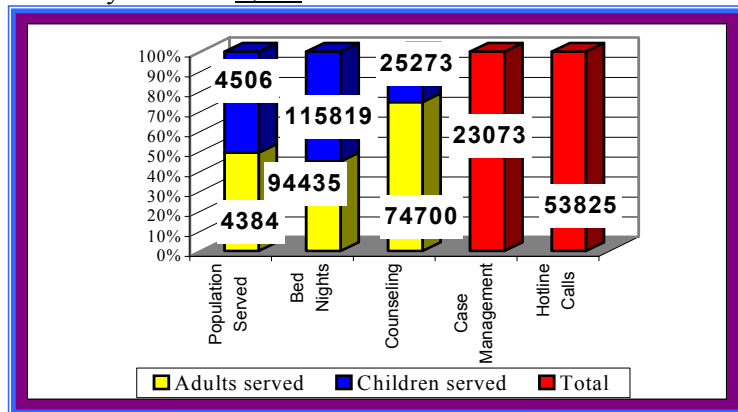
During the year 27,678 women and children requested shelter, of those 8,890 received shelter. Shelter was unavailable to 18,786 women and children at the time of request.



Shelter Services

Emergency shelter is provided through permanent shelters, safe home networks and motels.

Staff and volunteers responded to 53,825 calls for emergency shelter and information and referral. In addition, CONTACTS, a centralized hotline in Maricopa County received 6,155 calls.



Emergency shelter and supportive services were provided to 8,890 women and children who received – 210,254 nights of safety in emergency shelter, 99,973 hours of individual and group advocacy and education, and 23,073 hours of case management.

Unmet Need for Service

Shelters reported that the two top unmet needs for the victims were affordable housing and transportation. Financial assistance, legal services, and childcare also represented a high proportion of need.

System Intervention

Shelters reported that: 2,308 victims indicated that a report had been made to law enforcement during one of the domestic violence incidents.

- 434 victims and 2,395 perpetrators had been arrested during an incident.
- 1,630 of the victims had obtained an Order of Protection or Injunction Against Harassment.
- 2,324 of the victims reported that at some point they had sought emergency medical intervention as a result of the violence or discussed domestic violence with a medical professional.

Demographics

Age of Primary Client and Children

0-2	3-5	6-12	13-17	18-29	30-44	45-59	60+
13.4%	11.8%	17.6%	3.8%	20%	27.3%	5.8%	0.3%

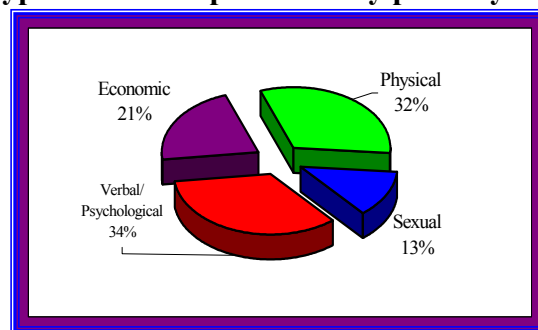
Income Status

75% reported an average annual income of \$6,000 or below. 93% reported \$14,000 or below.

Ethnicity

White	50.2%	Hispanic	28.4%
Black	8.8%	Asian	.8%
Native American	8.7%	Mixed	3.3%

Type of abuse experienced by primary client



Outcome Status

Average length of stay in shelter is 21.17 days.

Upon exit from the shelter, 68% remained in a safe environment, 43.9% set up their own household or moved in with relatives or friends, 19.3% moved on to other shelter programs, and in 4.8% of the households the batterer moved out. 10.5% returned to the previous situation. The status was unknown for 21.5%.